

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY

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## ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 11 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

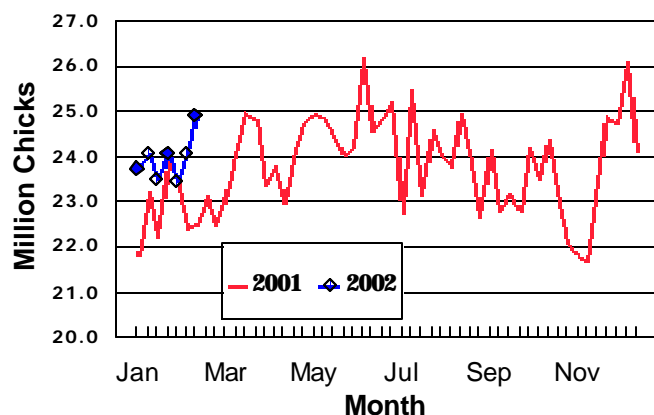
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 24.9 million during the week ending February 16, 2002, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 11 percent from the comparable week in 2001, and 3 percent above the previous week, and included 2.6 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through February 16, 2002 were 167.9 million, up 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 25.2 million, up 4 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and 1 percent above the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.5 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.3 percent.

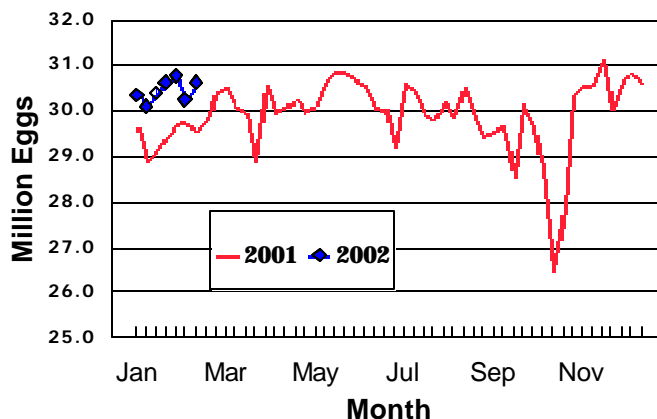
Arkansas hatcheries set 30.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending February 16, 2002, up 4 percent from the same period last year and 1 percent above the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change
	<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>		
<b>Jan. 12</b>	23,255	24,092	104	23,689	25,342	107	28,905	30,121	104
<b>Jan. 19</b>	22,233	23,526	106	22,086	25,087	114	29,167	30,421	104
<b>Jan. 26</b>	23,892	24,074	101	24,010	24,968	104	29,413	30,623	104
<b>Feb. 2</b>	23,584	23,464	99	23,577	24,583	104	29,702	30,803	104
<b>Feb. 9</b>	22,457	24,082	107	23,864	24,842	104	29,752	30,232	102
<b>Feb. 16</b>	22,478	24,918	111	24,141	25,204	104	29,581	30,627	104

**CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2001 - 2002**



**EGGS SET, 2001 - 2002**



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# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002**

	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/	Week Ending				1/		
STATE	26-Jan	02-Feb	09-Feb	16-Feb	%	12-Jan	19-Jan	26-Jan	02-Feb	09-Feb	16-Feb	%
Alabama	29,363 *	29,148	29,313 *	29,360	104	22,107	22,781	22,013	21,673	21,915	22,567	110
ARKANSAS	30,623	30,803	30,232	30,627	104	24,092	23,526	24,074	23,464	24,082	24,918	111
Delaware	3,672	3,574	3,631	3,633	84	4,891	5,220	5,563	4,551 *	4,971 *	5,828	124
Florida	2,163	2,391	2,366	2,297	84	2,331	2,389	2,349	2,154	2,473	2,150	105
Georgia	31,455	31,402 *	31,765 *	31,482	101	25,753	24,895	26,034	25,392 *	25,400 *	25,255	103
Maryland	9,531	10,095	10,036	10,072	117	6,065	5,561	5,339	5,844 *	6,060 *	5,517	100
Mississippi	18,359	18,786	18,905	19,099	104	15,982	15,956	15,658	15,683	15,064 *	14,961	101
N. Carolina	18,520 *	19,269	19,332	19,473	108	15,213	15,016	14,381	13,810	14,293	14,270	105
Pennsylvania	3,473	3,435	3,529 *	3,942	112	2,735	2,577	2,545	2,557	2,474 *	2,604	96
S. Carolina	4,742	4,712	4,618	4,945	103	3,883	3,803	3,697	3,885	3,701	3,893	97
Texas	15,319	15,101	15,263	15,338	105	11,964	12,191	12,100	11,754	11,616	12,139	108
Virginia	6,602	6,643	6,737	6,535	100	5,650	5,622	5,726	5,723	4,631 *	5,137	93
CA TN & W VA	10,966	10,669	10,823	10,805	94	8,872	9,885	9,353	9,205	9,436	9,072	95
Total 2001-2002	184,788 *	186,028 *	186,550 *	187,608		149,538	149,422	148,832	145,450 *	146,116 *	148,311	
Total 2000-2001	177,434	178,493	180,246	181,711		143,870	142,278	143,929	144,793	143,285	141,289	
% PREV. YEAR	104	104	103	103		104	105	103	100	102	105	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2002.....						02-Mar	09-Mar	16-Mar	23-Mar	30-Mar	06-Apr	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

*Kentucky	6,477	6,419	5,833 *	6,394	--	5,497	4,795 *	5,721	6,098	5,922 *	5,394	--
*Oklahoma	6,566	6,566	6,565	6,579	--	4,828	4,590	4,442	5,064	5,243	5,212	--
*LA & MO	8,900	9,252	9,122	9,267	--	9,020	9,599	8,605	8,190	7,919	7,975	--
19 State Total	206,731 *	208,265 *	208,070 *	209,848		168,883	168,406 *	167,600	164,802 *	165,200 *	166,892	

\* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

## **EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 3 PERCENT**

*Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 188 million eggs during the week ending February 16, 2002. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.*

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 5 PERCENT**

*Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 148 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 16, 2002. Placements were up 5 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through February 16, 2002 were 1.04 billion, up 3 percent the same period a year earlier.*

**NOTE:** Beginning January 2, 2002, the Broiler Hatchery report will ONLY be available under "Publications" on the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service Home-Page at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ar/>. Please call 1-800-327-2970 if you do not have access to internet service and would like to continue receiving copies of the report by mail.